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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A**  
**PRIOR TO ACTION**

APPLICANT(S): CHRISTIAN PREHOFER  
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: P01,0024  
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO: PCT/DE99/02675  
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INVENTION: METHOD FOR CONTROLLING THE OFFERING OF  
AT LEAST ONE ADDITIONAL TRANSMISSION  
CHANNEL AS ACCESS TO A PACKET-SWITCHING  
NETWORK

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents,  
Washington D.C. 20231

15 Sir:

Applicants herewith amend the above-referenced PCT application, and  
request entry of the Amendment prior to examination on the United States  
Examination Phase.

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**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**On page 11:**

replace line 1 with --WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:--;

Please replace original claims 1-7 with the following rewritten claims 1-7,  
referring to the mark-ups in Appendix A.

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1. (Amended) A method for controlling an offering of at least one additional  
transmission channel as access to a packet-switching network on which information  
in the form of data or voice can be transmitted within a line-switching network  
between an access node connected to said packet-switching network and at least  
one subscriber terminal device or at least one private branch exchange for the

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